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ELAINE OF THE ORCHARDS

By Martha McCulloch-Williams
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The joy of midsummer possessed Elaine. Commonly she was pale, with shadowed eyes and piteously drooping mouth. Today the shadows, the drooping, had vanished. She smiled, her dimples played hide and seek through cheeks faintly pink as the sweetest in the hedgerow. She was picking the first ripe peaches in the young orchard that was her mother's pride. It had but just come into bearing and she full three weeks ahead of anything the neighborhood had ever known. Elaine and her mother were proudly glad that the ripening fruit in with the date of the big meeting.

The peach basket would go to church tomorrow along with other baskets overflowing with good things. There were to be three sermons, with dinner and supper in between; much choice gossip also, with incidentally, loveliness. Everybody within ten miles would be there. That meant to Elaine mainly sight and speech of Allan May. He would be sure to fetch his mother, a lady of gracious speech, but coldly calculating eyes. Elaine dreaded the eyes, yet was glad Allan had a mother to look out for. It saved her the torture of seeing him gallanting other girls ever so much prettier than her own pale self.

Until he came she had never loved anybody. She was sure that he loved her. Had he not kissed her fingers and called them "precious" after she had played for him a whole evening through? He had said too: "I must be free before I marry. My mother, you know, holds everything in trust until I am thirty." It was easy for Elaine to persuade herself that he did not speak out because he was too honorable to ask any woman to wait for him five years.

Gossip had it that his mother was bent on matching him with her niece, Madge Clayton, who lived in the next county. But the young pair were close and

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Atlan kept doggedly beside her. "Tomorrow will be time enough," he said. "Poor Elaine! She is a million times too good for me—so much too good I tremble to think of taking her happiness in my hands."

As they galloped off Elaine crept from her covert and sank beside her basket, a huddled, moaning heap. She lay there until sundown, lone fighting hard with weeping pride, and love won out. That night all her prayer was, "Lord, Lord, let him love me or else let me die."

Allan came to her next day as she knelt beside the peach basket, lifting up pink flushed beauties from their nests of cool green leaves. His whisper in her ear made her cheeks outburst the pinkest peach, but she shook her head when he made to raise her and lead her away. "I will come presently," she said. "Mother cannot get through dinner without me. Yet when she left her she got suddenly wiser, and her hands trembled so she almost let fall a laden dish."

Time ambles wistful in spite of heart-aches. Somehow dinner got itself over and left Elaine free. She slipped away toward the spring in the edge of the grove.

Half way Madge overtook her and said with no pretense of greeting, "You must not mind about anything today, only being happy."

For a minute they walked in silence down the sun drenched path. It bordered the road by which teams were taken to water. There was a sharp turn in the road where the path crossed it to reach a well head. As the two came to it a thrasher of hoofs bore down on them, cut through with weak, terrified screams. Will Janie Lee had ventured to drive the wickedest pair upon the grounds. They had taken the bits in their teeth and were running away.

Madge sprang back to let them pass, tripped on a loose stone and fell forward almost under their feet. Elaine dashed, caught the leader's bit and swerved him sharply aside. He reared, striking out with both hoofs, but she clung fast until stronger hands stayed the maddened beasts, then slid into Allan's arms, with blood gushing over her lips. Between the spurts she whispered to him: "It has all come right, I know. I had to save her—because she gave you to me. You must not let me be a little bit. But God knew best. He heard my prayers."

His Son Andy.
Dr. Andrew J. McCosh was in his college days a famous athlete. He could run faster, kick a football further and jump higher than any man in Princeton. Publicly his father, President McCosh, took no notice of Andy's achievements. That he privately rejoiced in his son's prowess the students learned in this way.

Jimmy, as the president was familiarly called, though exceedingly courteous, was given to fits of abstraction in which he entirely forgot his surroundings.

Once at a reception in his home, apparently forgetful of all the world he was pacing up and down the room with head bent and hands interlocked behind his back. Suddenly he walked up before a young lady and asked:

"How tall are you?"
In an embarrassed way she replied, "Why, doctor, I'm—5 feet 2 inches."

"Me son Andy could jump over yer head," said the doctor and immediately resumed his walk.

Are Men Inquisitive?
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March, April, May

There is a best time for doing everything—that is, a time when a thing can be done to the best advantage, most easily and most effectively. Now is the best time for purifying your blood. Why? Because your system is now trying to purify it—your kidneys are busy with other eruptions that have come on your face and body.

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There was nothing giddy about Miss Nancy Messmore, aged thirty-two, an old maid and the aunt and legal guardian of Miss Bessie Haplin, aged nineteen. Bessie had never fallen in love with a penniless count, consented to elope with the family coachman or given her heart to a college student acting as waiter at a summer hotel, but for all this she was supposed to be giddy. Strict discipline was needed at all times, but more particularly when the couple had settled down at a Catskill hotel to spend the month of July.

The girl was attractive and ingenious, and she couldn't help meeting young men, who soon became smitten. But it was Miss Messmore's duty in public and Aunt Nancy's duty in private to set a dead line beyond which the most ardent captive should pass at his peril. If there was a little excursion to a cave or a gorge, she was on hand; if there was music in the parlor, she sat where she could gaze into the face of the young man turning over the music at the piano; if there was a tete-a-tete on the veranda, she crowded in and changed the conversation from

too delighted to be free from the Argus eyes of her chaperon. But she wondered what the outcome of so many tete-a-tetes would be.

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E. S. MOSER, EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.
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IN ignoring the resolution protesting against the admission of Reed Smoot as a United States Senator from Utah, the House at Harrisburg did the right thing. The U. S. Senate will decide the Smoot case, and will be likely to respect the Constitution of the United States, and the evidence presented, rather than sentimental or prejudiced advice.

THE ambition of Perkasio, Bucks county, to attract Normal School lighting to that thriving borough is very much more to be commended than is the Normal School monopoly of the State. Editor Meredith will not be expected to enquire into whys and wherefores, if Perkasio secures a slice of the monopoly. Perkasio and Editor Meredith should have a fair field and no handicaps in the race for an educational bonanza.

THE Aldrich bill recently taken up in the Senate at Washington providing for the deposit in banks of Treasury funds on adequate security, at 1 1/2 per cent. interest, is a wise measure. If it is passed, Treasury deposits, instead of being congested in a few large cities, will be distributed over the country. If the measure were in operation now some \$150,000,000 locked in the Treasury would be in the channels of trade and banking.

DOWN at the Hub, where a Carnegie library will never materialize, it is Burgess Bean now who dispenses justice at City Hall, where erstwhile Burgess Todd held the scales with a steady hand. The newspapermen of that quarter did a nice thing when they presented the retiring Burgess with a handsomely engraved penknife. The quill drivers of the more or less latinized cities are capable of putting on the finishing touch at the right place and time—particularly when they are in a happy mood.

CHAIRMAN QUAY has issued a call for the Republican State Convention to be held at Harrisburg on Wednesday, May 27. The nominations to be made include only one candidate for Auditor General, one for State Treasurer, and two for Judges for the Superior Court. Governor Stone has already appointed Judge Morrison to one of these vacancies, and the other vacancy will be filled temporarily by Governor Pennypacker. There will therefore hardly be a contest in the Convention for Judges of the Superior Court.

AFTER a long and demoralizing contest that kept the State of Delaware for four years without its full representation in the United States Senate and debased political morality in many sections of the State, the Legislative deadlock at Dover was broken Monday. James Frank Allee and Louis Heisler Ball were elected Senators on the thirty-sixth ballot. Allee, who is a Union Republican leader and Addick's right-hand man, gets the long term, ending in 1907, and Congressman Ball, Regular Republican, the short term, ending in 1905.

YESTERDAY, March 4, the work of the fifty-seventh Congress was closed. The acts of unusual importance passed during the term include: An act authorizing the construction of an interoceanic canal across the Isthmus of Panama. Acts further to regulate interstate commerce and to control great corporations and combinations of capital doing business between States. An act establishing a form of civil government in the Philippines, and an act establishing the gold standard in the Archipelago, thus assuring business stability and confidence. An act inaugurating a system of Government aid to irrigation, which promises the reclamation of millions of acres of arid lands in the west. An act putting the army on a high plane of efficiency.

THE bill fixing the minimum salary for common school teachers at \$35 a month was passed by the House of Representatives at Harrisburg, last week. The measure will receive the approval of all who are in touch with the important work of popular education and who have knowledge of the duties imposed upon public school teachers. The instructors of our boys and girls, if they are qualified to size up to the actual requirements of their positions, deserve to be compensated in proportion to the expenditure of intelligent effort. For the general public to be willing to do less than this is an acknowledgment that the public is unreasonable, unjust and ungrateful. The speech of Representative Rex from this county, in relation to the bill referred to, reflected credit upon his constituents and himself.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 26, 1903.

The Statehood fight after occupying the attention of the Senate, during the greater portion of the present session, is virtually concluded and no Statehood legislation will be enacted at this session of Congress. The republican members headed by Senator Quay for the Statehood advocates and Senator Aldrich for the opposition, finally agreed upon a compromise measure drafted by Senator Spooner, which provided for the admission of Oklahoma as state, with the provision that Indian Territory should be eventually added thereto, and Arizona and New Mexico as another state. This measure was rejected by the unanimous vote of a democratic caucus and, while the Statehood bill remains the unfinished business of the Senate, the fight has been abandoned.

The results of the long contest may be summed up as follows: The educational clause of the Immigration bill, which was intended to keep out of the United States the lowest class of immigrants, whose continued arrival operates to keep down wages and lower the standard of living of the American workmen, was defeated. The Eight Hour Labor Law, has not been

Colombian and Cuban treaties still wait ratification and the President has reiterated his determination to call the Senate in extra session if either of these conventions fail. Senator Morgan is practically the sole opponent of the Colombian treaty the consideration of which will be resumed immediately. Mr. Morgan's friends say that if he is permitted sufficient time to voice his objections and explain the numerous amendments he has offered, he will not filibuster on the convention and, although the Senator refuses to commit himself, the leaders have accepted this state and will endeavor to afford the Alabama Senator all the time he desires.

There is still an intangible but unmistakable opposition to the Cuban treaty, quite apart from the Democratic Senators whose antagonism is open and above board. This opposition, which is working in the dark, is difficult to meet and may eventually defeat the treaty although such is not the anticipation of the republican managers. Opinion is divided as to whether the Cuban treaty can be ratified without an extra session. Senator Aldrich assures your correspondent of his conviction that the agreement will stand approved when the 4th of March arrives, but Senators Lodge and Cullom both take a contrary view and assert their belief that an extra session of the Senate will be necessary. That there will be no extra session of the whole Congress is now evident.

Serious and unwarranted criticism of the renovation of the White House and the erection of the President's office building in the White House grounds has found its way into the public prints, most of it bearing on its face the evidence that the writers have never seen the inside of the President's office or his residence. President Roosevelt instructed the architects and decorators to restore the White House to its original design and criticism of such restoration is as logical as would be the complaint that Washington's residence at Mount Vernon was not so thoroughly up to date New York residence.

While the restoration of the White House adds much to its historic value and removes the conglomerate aggregation of alleged decorations, the manifestation of the taste, or lack of taste, of various presidents and their wives, it adds still more to the comfort and convenience of the mansion and of the guests at the numerous entertainments of which it is the scene. The office building is comfortable, convenient and unobtrusive and answers every purpose for which it was built.

A most interesting report made by William Carey Sanger, now assistant Secretary of the Navy, has just been published by the government. Mr. Sanger first made a thorough inspection of the auxiliary and reserve forces of Great Britain and Switzerland, at his own expense, and then drew some most useful comparisons between the system prevailing in those countries and that in the United States. He graphically describes the difficulties which attended an attempt to utilize the militia at the beginning of the Spanish war saying, "The story has much which Americans will read with pain." He describes the utter lack of proper equipment and organization of the militia at that time. In this connection, Secretary Root is making the most active preparations for the arming and equipment of the national militia in accordance with the recently enacted Militia Reorganization bill.

The Daughters of the American Revolution have held an interesting and at times exciting convention in Washington this week. During the early days of the convention there were evidences of a bitter fight for the presidency of the organization, Mrs. Fairbanks of Indiana, now president, being a candidate for reelection and Mrs. Donald McLean of New York, a competitor for the office. A difference in the construction of the constitution added interest to the contest and so exciting were some of the sessions that the president was compelled to resort to a hammer to call the meetings to order, the dainty gavel first used for that purpose having been splintered in the effort to maintain order. Mrs. McLean, however, has withdrawn from the race and, as a result, the election of Mrs. Fairbanks is conceded. So graceful was Mrs. McLean's withdrawal that she made hosts of friends by it and it is generally believed that she will succeed Mrs. Fairbanks two years hence.

RAILROAD FATALITIES.

In this country 282 passengers were slaughtered on our railroads in the year 1901, while in England not a single passenger was killed. According to the reports of the Interstate Commerce Commission for the year ending June 30, 1900, our railroads killed 249 and wounded 4128 passengers. Including accidents to employes and trespassers the totals were 7865 killed and 50,320 injured. For the year 1901 the English railways, which did kill a single passenger, were directly or indirectly responsible for the deaths of 1277 persons and for the wounding of 18,375. It would be a mistake to assume that the difference is due to our greater business. The showing is altogether in favor of the English. The mileage in England is only one-ninth of that in this country, but the English carry twice as many passengers. The problem is thus much more difficult. For every mile of railroad the English carried 2 passengers to our 1

FROM OAKS.

March came in like a lion. The high winds blew down part of the structure of the building at the brick company's new plant. The flag flung to the breeze February 22d still waves in defiance of wind, storm or gale over the remaining portion. The rafters had not been placed. Friday night and portions of Saturday heavy rains prevailed, and rivulets and brooks and ditches where water runs only in time of heavy rains became creeks, canals and water ways. The roads were badly washed. The Perkiomen became badly swollen, and though little and noisy, it asserted its authority and rolled back the waters of the Schuylkill, which in turn inundated the lowlands, overflowing the banks and the territory in and around the lock-house became a peninsula. The pipes which carry off the water in the many roadways were not sufficient to carry off the great volume of water, and the result was large gullies were washed and pipes exposed, and traveling is anything but safe.

Mrs. Lizzie Hallowell Wollaston was buried Friday, from the residence of her husband, New Garden, Chester county.

Tax collector Joseph Umstead visited Norristown, Monday, on business pertaining to his office.

Monday was a fair day, with increasing March weather, and a probability of an early approach of springtime with its beautiful flowers, and some corn to husk and cornfodder to haul.

Rev. J. T. Meyers preached morning and evening services. His subject in the evening was the teaching of sin.

Laura Nichols was too ill to lead the Young People's meeting, Sunday evening, but Arnold Francis kindly proffered his services, for which kindness she is thankful.

We met our young friend C. C. Sanderson, teacher of the public school of Port Providence, the other evening, and he spoke of having made a visit to New York, viewing the land of steady habits, which the older it gets "the wusser it gets," according to some people's ideas, as far as Bridgeport, returning to the city of churches, Brooklyn, and listened to a sermon by an eminent divine who was back in time to open his school on Monday morning. A trip like that in his grandfather's time a full week instead of two days at the present time.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Dettra visited an uncle at Limerick Square, Sunday.

Ben Famous is chief clerk at J. U. Francis, Jr.'s store.

A cloud of sorrow hovers over our happy little household, as our oldest daughter is seriously ill. She has a complication of diseases and her heart is very much affected. Sunday afternoon there was a decided improvement in her case. How powerful is sympathy. The sympathy of our Saviour at the grave of Lazarus, how gloriously beautiful.

Brower's lane or avenue is in need of repair.

The gripper still lingers, and on the shaded side of ridges can be seen snow; beautiful snow, happy are we to see thee go.

John U. Francis, Sr., is on the sick list. Sunday (the first in Lent) Rev. Mr. Egge preached at St. Paul's. In the morning he said that the Lenten fast did not necessarily mean abstaining from meat, but a sincere self-examination was most important, with greater attention to our prayers. At the evening service the singing, in which the congregation joined heartily, was most effective: "There is a Fountain Filled with Blood," and "My Saviour, Not Ashamed of Thee." The text being "Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow." The choir is certainly to be congratulated upon its neat and devout appearance and the sweet music rendered.

It is not well to hold until you're out of the woods, for is not this the month of forty-one days, and no one knows what will really happen until it does happen, without it is the goosebone prophets, and as their business is not so very profitable as to afford much remuneration, why they are mumm, for its money that talks. We hope, since J. P. Morgan has left our shores, the earth will not deviate from its center. Still we have left Carnegie who has libraries to burn. We have always entertained an idea that some of our steel kings could locate the North Pole. Steel highly magnetized would be just the thing. But they might appropriate the pole and tooth picks, as a cure for toothache.

We received a package of confetti from Kirtz Prius at the Mardi Gras Carnival held in Pensacola, Florida, and with it came the king's command to throw some of this confetti over "the Captain," and his bodyguard "the Corporal," but the daughters of the Regiment objected to the command being carried out in the house and ordered the command to be carried out in an open lot on the parade ground, for it was too hard work to sweep it off a room that was carpeted. We do not like to disobey any king's command, even in a free country, and so we adjourned to the parade ground and did as we were commanded.

SEWARD WEBB'S DAUGHTER'S PIGS.

Six years ago a daughter of Dr. W. Seward Webb, in order to show her business ability and to obtain a little additional pocket money, took a little "fyer" in stock breeding on Shelburne Farms. Dr. Webb's country seat on Lake Champlain, says Country Life in America. She invested \$20 in a brood sow, and with her father's permission, made arrangements with the shepherd to care for the sow and the pigs. As there was an abundance of skim milk, this was given her without cost, but all the grain feed was charged for at market prices. From this single investment she cleared \$90 the first year, \$200 the second and \$300 the third. By this time the stock had so increased in number as to outgrow its quarters, and was proving so profitable that Dr. Webb thought it advisable to buy her out. So at the end of the fourth year he took over the stock at market prices and gave her a check for \$700, which represented the years profits. From this start the present pig-

gery has been developed, which is the most profitable department of the place. Last year 200 pigs were sold, averaging from 250 to 300 pounds in weight and bringing one-half cent per pound more than the ruling market prices because of the superior condition under which they are kept. The pigery is a model of its kind. The building is in keeping with the others on the place in exterior style and the interior finished with hard pine, cement floors and iron troughs and fixtures.

ORPHANS' COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PA.

NOTICE OF FILING AND AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS.
Notice is hereby given to heirs, legatees, creditors and all parties interested that the following accounts have been filed in the Office of the Register of Wills or Clerk of Orphans' Court, as the case may be, of said county, on the date below stated: That said accounts, administrators, guardians and trustees have settled their accounts in said office; and that the same will be presented to the Orphans' Court of said county on Tuesday, March 17, 1903, at 10 o'clock a.m. for confirmation, at which time the Judge of said Court will sit at the Court House, City Hall, and pass upon said accounts, and make distribution of the balance ascertained to be in the hands of said accounts.

The accounts will be called in the order mentioned below and the audit continued until the list is disposed of:

No. 1—HARREL—Jan. 25—First and final account of the Norristown Trust Co., guardian of Grace R. Harrel, minor child of Elizabeth T. Harrel, late of Montgomery township, dec'd; said minor now having attained her majority.

No. 2—McCURDY—Jan. 22—First and final account of Henry Y. McCurdy, administrator of the estate of Robert McCurdy, late of the borough of Conshohocken, dec'd.

No. 3—BIGNY—Jan. 25—First and final account of Celia A. Bigny, adm'rix of the estate of Letitia V. Bigny, late of Lancaster, dec'd.

No. 4—KEYSER—Jan. 27—First and final account of Henry W. Keyser, executor of the estate of David Keyser, late of Upper Providence township, dec'd.

No. 5—COUS NE MOORE—Jan. 27—First and final account of Norristown Trust Company, guardian of Adelaide Moore now Cous, minor grandchild of Edward Turner, late of Montgomery township, dec'd; said minor now having attained her majority.

No. 6—BALMER—Jan. 28—First and final account of the Merion Title and Trust Co., of Ardmore, and Harry J. Balmer, adm'rs of the estate of James Balmer, dec'd.

No. 7—SANDERSON—Jan. 28—First and final account of Hutchinson Smith, executor of the estate of Emma Jane Shoemaker, late of the borough of Lansdowne, dec'd.

No. 8—BIDDLE—Jan. 28—Final account of H. C. Biddle, surviving executor of the last will and testament of J. C. Biddle, late of Upper Merion, Montgomery county, Pa., dec'd.

No. 9—KILGUS—Jan. 28—First and final account of Louis Kilgus, executor of the last will and testament of James E. Kilgus, late of the borough of Norristown, dec'd.

No. 10—KEYSER—Feb. 6—First and final account of Geo. S. Keyser, adm'or of the estate of Catherine G. Keyser, late of the township of Frederick, dec'd.

No. 11—MAYNARD—Feb. 7—Account of J. Robert Foulke, executor of the estate of Job R. Maynard, dec'd.

No. 12—BIDDLE—Feb. 8—First and final account of Charles M. Biddle, executor of the estate of Anne Biddle, late of Norristown, dec'd.

No. 13—RITTER—Feb. 9—The final account of Reuben Riegner, guardian of the estate of Elmer E. Ritter, a minor child of William J. Ritter, dec'd.

No. 14—SINCLAIR—Feb. 10—First and final account of Alfred M. Seymour, executor of the last will and testament of Jane Sinclair, late of Springfield township, dec'd.

No. 15—WELLS—Feb. 10—First and final account of S. Clarence Wells, adm'or of the estate of Sarah M. Wells, late of the township of Lower Merion, dec'd.

No. 16—SOKER—Feb. 10—First and final account of Lena Sokor, adm'rix of the estate of Benjamin Sokor, late of the borough of Norristown, dec'd.

No. 17—CUTNER—Feb. 11—First and final account of Winfield S. Weber, adm'or of the estate of William F. Cutner, late of Norristown, Pa., dec'd.

No. 18—HUNTER—Feb. 21—First and final account of B. Frank Danahower and Aaron Sperry, executors of the estate of John Louis Huber, late of Montgomery township, dec'd.

No. 19—BEAN—Feb. 11—First and final account of Joseph L. Bean, adm'or of the estate of Susan L. Bean, late of Upper Gwynedd township, dec'd.

No. 20—SCHWARTZ—Feb. 13—First and final account of the Norristown Trust Company, guardian of Martha M. Schwart, adm'rix of the estate of Montgomery Insurance, Trust and Safe Deposit Co., of Norristown, dec'd.

No. 21—KATZ—Feb. 14—Second and final account of Sarah Katz, executor of the estate of Sarah Katz, late of Limerick township, dec'd.

No. 22—PERCY—Feb. 14—First and final account of John T. Percy, executor of the estate of Susanna Percy, late of Collegeville, dec'd.

No. 23—COLE—Feb. 14—First and final account of the Norristown Trust Company, trustees for Adelaide Moore, now Adelaide, minor child of Edward Turner, late of Montgomery, dec'd.

No. 24—SCOTT—Jan. 28—First and final account of the Norristown Trust Company, guardian of the Norristown Trust Company, trustees for Adelaide Moore, now Adelaide, minor child of Edward Turner, late of Montgomery, dec'd.

No. 25—MAYNARD—Feb. 14—First and final account of Hutchinson Smith, adm'or of the estate of George W. Jacoby, dec'd.

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And the grouping of good things for little money on them. Red sale tickets on each one gives you the price.

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RAILROADS.

Philadelphia & Reading Railway

Engines Burn Hard Coal—No Smoke

IN EFFECT NOVEMBER 16, 1902.

Trains Leave Collegeville.

For PEKINEM JUNCTION, BRIDGEPORT AND PHILADELPHIA—Week days—6.30, 8.15, 11.30 a. m.; 5.59 p. m. Sundays—6.30 a. m.; 6.35 p. m.

For ALLENTOWN—Week days—7.14, 10.09 a. m.; 5.19, 6.45 p. m. Sundays—8.30 a. m.; 7.39 p. m.

Trains For Collegeville.

Leave Philadelphia—Week days—6.04, 8.51 a. m.; 1.36, 5.30 p. m. Sundays—7.06 a. m.; 8.31 p. m.

Leave Bridgeport—Week days—6.41, 9.29 a. m.; 3.19, 6.07 p. m. Sundays—7.45 a. m.; 6.39 p. m.

Leave Pekinem Junction—Week days—7.00, 9.47 a. m.; 3.00, 6.31 p. m. Sundays—8.15 a. m.; 7.22 p. m.

Leave Allentown—Week days—4.25, 6.50, 9.45 a. m.; 4.35 p. m. Sunday—4.35 a. m.; 6.45 p. m.

ATLANTIC CITY DIVISION.

IN EFFECT SEPTEMBER 16, 1902.

Leave Philadelphia, Chestnut Street wharf and South Street wharf, for

ATLANTIC CITY. CAPE MAY. OCEAN CITY.

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Furniture

Fresh From the Factories, now on Exhibition at the

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Furniture Warerooms!

We are now prepared to offer our customers goods at prices never before heard of.

Our line of Chamber Suits, at prices ranging from \$12 to \$50, are the best in the market, and are well worth inspection.

Parlor Suits in Hair Cloth, Brocade and Silk Tapestry, from \$15 to \$50, are hard to be equalled.

Sideboards, from \$8.50 to \$30, in Solid Oak, fancy tops and plate glasses, are the finest.

Dining Room Chairs, Fancy Rockers, Lounges, Couches, Hall Racks and Fancy Book Cases, that cannot fail to attract your attention, both in quality and price.

We carry a full line of Rugs, Carpet Sweepers, Toilet Sets, Fancy Lamps, Dinner and Tea Sets.

Bed Springs, Mattresses, Pillows, Bolsters, Feather and Bedding of all kinds.

Our line of Carpets is complete. Best Ingrain at 50 cents; good at 40 cents; fair at 30 cents.

Picture Frames made to order.

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FARM AND GARDEN

EXTRA EARLY PLANTS.

A Ready Money Crop For a Bright, Industrious Boy.

While many gardeners grow tomato plants to sell, but few pay special attention to growing them extra early.

There is usually a chance for some bright, industrious farmer boy near towns or cities to make money for himself along this line, advises an Indian writer in Rural New Yorker. I have found that there is always a class of persons willing to pay an extra price

for plants that have been carefully grown and will produce extra early as well as an abundance of fine fruit.

In growing the plants it will be necessary to cover the hotbeds with glass.

Cloth coverings will not answer this purpose. The seed is sown about eight weeks before the plants are to be set in the open ground. After the plants have made several leaves they are transplanted two inches apart into hotbeds.

In two or three weeks part of these plants are transplanted again. They are carefully taken up one at a time and reset somewhat deeper than they were before and about four inches apart. Each time they are transplanted they are well watered and shaded.

When the weather becomes warm it is best to put canvas over the plants instead of sash. The warm days the last of April may make the plants grow too rapidly. The aim is to produce stocky plants with a large root system.

About the first week in May there is usually a call in this locality for early tomato plants. Arrangements are made with one or two growers in the nearest towns to handle the plants on commission. The plants are taken up with all the roots possible. The plant bed is thinned out by removing the largest plants from the different rows. The plants are placed in shallow boxes holding from two to three dozen, according to size of plants. After the box is full it is filled with soil pressed in around the plants. The plants are then covered with a layer of straw or sawdust.

In three days more it was the talk of Crossville that Ruth Williams had "captured" the stranger. They went

I usually have three grades or sizes of plants. The first size, as shown in the figure, consists of good sized stocky plants, grown from selected seed, and having been transplanted twice, have a good root growth. These plants are sold at 25 and 30 cents per dozen. The second grade plants are much smaller, transplanted but once, and are sold at 15 cents per dozen. The third size are taken up from the seed bed. They have not been transplanted and have but few roots. I have often put fifteen dozen of these plants in the same sized box that I have used for three dozen of the first size. These plants bring 8-13 cents per dozen. It is best always to have the different sized plants so as to suit any one who may wish to buy. By having the smaller size the larger ones are shown to advantage, and more sales are made.

The Man Who Knows How.

It is not strange that in every county and in almost every precinct that you may visit there is at least one farmer known as an "expert." He rarely or never fails. The dry and the wet seasons come and go, but he "makes corn" and "sells corn." So in every county there is found the man "who grows his own meat" and regardless of cholera and bad crops keeps his smokehouse full of corn.

This particular man is sometimes a successful truck grower or fruit raiser. He may assume one of several forms, but we may safely call him "Mr. Know How." The average farmer often looks upon him as somewhat of a con, and at bottom we find his success due to intelligent effort. Intelligence can insure crops in the face of disease, chinch bug, boll weevil, bollworm, drought—yes, and floods too.—Farm and Ranch.

Rotation of Potatoes For Starch.

The following are plans of rotation followed on two Maine farms growing potatoes for the manufacture of alcohol and starch:

1. Wheat. 2. Potatoes. 3. Potatoes. 4. Potatoes. 5. Potatoes. 6. Potatoes. 7. Potatoes. 8. Potatoes. 9. Potatoes. 10. Potatoes. 11. Potatoes. 12. Potatoes. 13. Potatoes. 14. Potatoes. 15. Potatoes. 16. Potatoes. 17. Potatoes. 18. Potatoes. 19. Potatoes. 20. Potatoes. 21. Potatoes. 22. Potatoes. 23. Potatoes. 24. Potatoes. 25. Potatoes. 26. Potatoes. 27. Potatoes. 28. Potatoes. 29. Potatoes. 30. Potatoes. 31. Potatoes. 32. Potatoes. 33. Potatoes. 34. Potatoes. 35. Potatoes. 36. Potatoes. 37. Potatoes. 38. Potatoes. 39. Potatoes. 40. Potatoes. 41. Potatoes. 42. Potatoes. 43. Potatoes. 44. Potatoes. 45. Potatoes. 46. Potatoes. 47. Potatoes. 48. Potatoes. 49. Potatoes. 50. Potatoes. 51. Potatoes. 52. Potatoes. 53. Potatoes. 54. Potatoes. 55. Potatoes. 56. Potatoes. 57. Potatoes. 58. Potatoes. 59. Potatoes. 60. Potatoes. 61. Potatoes. 62. Potatoes. 63. Potatoes. 64. Potatoes. 65. Potatoes. 66. Potatoes. 67. Potatoes. 68. Potatoes. 69. Potatoes. 70. Potatoes. 71. Potatoes. 72. Potatoes. 73. Potatoes. 74. Potatoes. 75. Potatoes. 76. Potatoes. 77. Potatoes. 78. Potatoes. 79. Potatoes. 80. Potatoes. 81. Potatoes. 82. Potatoes. 83. Potatoes. 84. Potatoes. 85. Potatoes. 86. Potatoes. 87. Potatoes. 88. Potatoes. 89. Potatoes. 90. Potatoes. 91. Potatoes. 92. Potatoes. 93. Potatoes. 94. Potatoes. 95. Potatoes. 96. Potatoes. 97. Potatoes. 98. Potatoes. 99. Potatoes. 100. Potatoes. 101. Potatoes. 102. Potatoes. 103. Potatoes. 104. Potatoes. 105. Potatoes. 106. Potatoes. 107. Potatoes. 108. Potatoes. 109. Potatoes. 110. Potatoes. 111. Potatoes. 112. Potatoes. 113. Potatoes. 114. Potatoes. 115. Potatoes. 116. Potatoes. 117. Potatoes. 118. Potatoes. 119. Potatoes. 120. Potatoes. 121. Potatoes. 122. Potatoes. 123. Potatoes. 124. Potatoes. 125. Potatoes. 126. Potatoes. 127. Potatoes. 128. Potatoes. 129. Potatoes. 130. Potatoes. 131. Potatoes. 132. Potatoes. 133. Potatoes. 134. Potatoes. 135. Potatoes. 136. Potatoes. 137. Potatoes. 138. Potatoes. 139. Potatoes. 140. Potatoes. 141. Potatoes. 142. Potatoes. 143. Potatoes. 144. Potatoes. 145. Potatoes. 146. Potatoes. 147. Potatoes. 148. Potatoes. 149. Potatoes. 150. Potatoes. 151. Potatoes. 152. Potatoes. 153. Potatoes. 154. Potatoes. 155. Potatoes. 156. Potatoes. 157. Potatoes. 158. Potatoes. 159. Potatoes. 160. Potatoes. 161. Potatoes. 162. Potatoes. 163. Potatoes. 164. Potatoes. 165. Potatoes. 166. Potatoes. 167. Potatoes. 168. Potatoes. 169. Potatoes. 170. Potatoes. 171. Potatoes. 172. Potatoes. 173. Potatoes. 174. Pot